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Commissioner Jane E. Henney Parklawn Building, Rm. 14-71 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Commissioner Henney:

I am writing to you because two very disturbing things have recently come to my attention through the Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI), of which I am a member.

Firstly, I understand that antibiotics are being routinely fed to cattle, hogs and poultry to make them grow faster. The problem with this practice is that bacteria may become resistant to these antibiotics, therefore rendering them useless should someone happen to get an infection caused by one of these resistant bacteria. This would leave physicians with no way to treat life-threatening bacterial infections in humans. That, of course, could kill.

Therefore, I urge you to save human lives by banning the use of medically useful antibiotics in animal feed.

Secondly, I feel the consumer should have the right to make the choice of whether or not they wish to purchase irradiated foods. Therefore, foods that are treated in this manner need to be clearly and prominently identified as such in the supermarket and in restaurants.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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